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This is in response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2004 ("the Office Action"), in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed as a Petition for a three-month extension of time, up to and including February 22, 2005 (February 19, 2005 being a Saturday and February 21, 2005 being a federal holiday), including an authorization to charge fees, is being submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration by the Examiner of all pending claims, in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the instant application, without prejudice, as follows.

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Responsive Action has been taken by filing an <u>AMENDMENT</u> simultaneously herewith.

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